

## **CITY OF LINCOLN, MASTER RECLAMATION PERMIT, Placer County**

The City of Lincoln's Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTF) provides sewerage service to the City of Lincoln. The Discharger applied for a Master Reclamation Permit to reclaim water from the City's wastewater treatment facility (WWTF). The wastewater treatment facility also discharges to surface waters. The surface water discharge from the WWTF is regulated under a separate NPDES permit. The facility owned and operated by the Discharger is capable of producing high quality tertiary treated effluent to comply with reclamation criteria. The Discharger currently uses reclaimed water to irrigate fodder crops, with full tail water return. In addition to continuing the current reclamation uses, the Discharger has proposed to irrigate rice and has future plans for landscape irrigation throughout the local community. The proposed Master Reclamation Permit allows for these uses. The irrigation of rice is the only use that would result in reclaimed water being discharged to surface waters, under the conditions that: (1) The discharge from the WWTF to the irrigation area is in full compliance with the California Toxics Rule, National Toxics Rule, Basin Plan Water Quality Objectives and the NPDES permit for that facility; (2) The irrigated rice areas are in full compliance with the Regional Board's agricultural waiver program; (3) The irrigation of rice does not exacerbate vector control problems or cause a nuisance; and (4) The discharge from the rice fields to surface waters does not cause exceedance of any Receiving Water Limitation contained in the proposed Order. MRH